



THE GRANGE NEWSLETTER

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A Word From Our Chairman

As most of you know, the front door has been closed to all visitors to The Grange. From now on visitors may only gain entrance to the historic house through the main entrance of the Art Gallery of Ontario.

Mr. Walford, Chief of Administration and Jack Vecchio, Head of Security, are most sympathetic to the public relations benefit performed by Grange volunteers in letting in guests who knock on the front door. It is the way one would have entered the house in the 19th c. However, this was long before the beginning of the security system in the Art Gallery following the theft of a Picasso sculpture.

Crime is certainly on the up-swing and the opening of the front door represented a weakness in an otherwise tight security envelope. It also represented a large risk to

the volunteers who man the front door in that for anyone who is so inclined, a volunteer could be attacked and knocked out in order to hand cut valuable works of art, artifacts and/or money from the cash box. It was the decision of management in the Art Gallery of Ontario that volunteers should not be subject to this risk.

I ask you all to accept this decision gracefully and to explain to visitors, if asked, the logical reasoning behind the decision. If a visitor is persistent in criticism, you might suggest she or he write a letter to the Director explaining a point of view. From time to time, we are asked whether a picture can be taken of the front of the house and our answer is always in the affirmative but suggest they walk around from Dundas Street when their visit to The Gallery has been completed. A new sign will be made in due

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course informing visitors of this decision.

Has anyone seen the little ebony and ivory set of dominoes which usually resides on the shelf over the table in the servants hall?

A superb evening was held in The Grange on Monday evening October 24, when Jeanne Minhinick came up to give us an informal chat on the furnishings in The Grange. It was a most informative evening for those who attended. It will probably be the last time Mrs. Minhinick will be able to come to Toronto. We are grateful to her for giving us her time.

You should all know that Isobel Woollard has agreed to be the Thursday librarian, as well as doing her job as assistant to Ann Mills on the slides. She is replacing Joan Stoicheff, who is no longer able to come on Thursdays but is giving us time on the weekend instead.

We have a request from Flora Agnew, Shop Chairman asking all volunteers to give her a list of artifacts in the house that generate a great deal of interest.

She's looking for ideas for reproduction items. -KF

Calendar

NOVEMBER LUNCHEON/TALKS

To be held in the Music Room. The Grange at 11 am. Tickets are \$7.00 each. For reservations call 977-0414 ext. 237, 9 am - 5 pm.

November 15: A Ramble through
19th Century Toronto,
The Good

November 29 & 30: Christmas
Traditions

Tickets include light lunch following the highly informative and entertaining talks.

FESTIVAL

Festival Celebration

The Gallery from 11 am. - 5:30 pm.
December 3 and December 4

A VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS

Wednesday, Dec. 14, 7:30 - 8:30 pm.
Join DANIEL HYATT for an evening of song and story, a touch of Christmas Past, in THE GRANGE. Refreshments will be served. Tickets, \$7.00 for members, \$10.50 for non-members may be

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reception on level, -21

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this section.

Calendar

that beyond some the little story
and local set of business which

usually transfer on the shelf
over the table in the reference

helps.

To be held in the main room.
The stage at 11 am. Tickets

are 25.00 each. For reservations
call 937-4444 ext. 211, 9 am -
5 pm.

A group meeting was held in
the stage at Monday evening.
October 22, when members

November 12, A Family Fling
17th Century Theatre.
The show

highlighted some of the give us
an interest that in the future
things in the future. There is a

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which will be in the future. There is a

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- Festival

You should all know that Festival

Festival celebration
The festival runs from 11 am - 5:30 pm.

Monday, we will be
which has an interest in

December 1 and December 2

the hills in the winter. The 12

celebration, which is a festival, who

A festival celebration

is an interest in the future. There is a

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on the festival celebration.

JOHN CARROLL STATION on evenings

we have a program from 7:30

be good and strong, a touch of

which, which is a program from 7:30

Christmas Party, in the center.

8:30 pm to 9:30 pm. The 12

entertainment will be provided.

at 8:30 pm in the future. There is a

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purchased at the Grange or reserved by calling 977-0414 ext.237

LECTURE

By E.ZEIDLER - "Queen's Quay Terminal", at the Ontario Hydro Auditorium. Sponsored by Architectural Conservancy Toronto.

Wednesday, Nov.16, 8pm
\$2.00 at the door.

Etcetera

SUNDAY - VOLunteers are needed for Sundays. Please call Jessica Hunt if you can help out.
962 1014

SCHOOL TOURS - During the week some days have larger tours than others and you may be asked to help out. Please try to oblige.

SCHOOL TOUR EVALUATION SHEETS in the black book in the lunch room are being neglected. Do try to fill in the small number of questions after a tour. -SB

QUESTIONNAIRES - There are a few questionnaires from Oct. 24 evening lecture which have been

left in the Volunteer Room for those who were unable to attend. Please hand them in to Janet Hodapp. They are for all Volunteers and the information will be useful for planning future programs. - SB

OZ ORNAMENTS - Be sure to buy raffle tickets for the delightful set of Christmas decorations, "Dorothy And Her Friends". On view in the Volunteer Room.
\$1.00 per ticket or
4 tickets for \$3.00
Date of Draw, December 4, 1983.

CELEBRATION - Mary Aziz is looking forward to receiving all the items (jams, jellies, sewing etc.) you have prepared for the Festival Celebration. They need to be labelled and priced.

STAFFING FOR THE CELEBRATION - Sign up sheets have been posted in in the Volunteer Room. Mary needs "helping hands" for the Grange table at the Festival December 3 and December 4.
PLEASE SIGN UP.

COOK'S SALARIES - Do you know what servants were paid in the 19th c.? P. Crawford will provide answers in next months Newsletter.

